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at the time the cause of action arose acting within the scope of his official duties of employment, take over the management and defense of such action. The attorney general may adjust or settle any such action at any time before, during or after trial, if he finds after investigation that the plaintiff is entitled to damages from such officer or employee.

SECTION 2. The provisions of section one of this act shall apply to actions pending or commenced on or after the effective date of this act.

Approved July 9, 1982.

Chap. 300. **AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE TRANSFER OF ESSEX COUNTY SUPERIOR COURTHOUSE AT LAWRENCE TO THE COMMONWEALTH, AND FOR THE RECONSTRUCTION, RENOVATION, EQUIPPING AND MAINTAINING OF SAID COURTHOUSE.**

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The county commissioners of the county of Essex are hereby authorized to transfer to the division of capital planning and operations all right, title and interest held by said county in a certain parcel of land and building known as the Lawrence Superior Court building at 40 Appleton street in the city of Lawrence, said land and building also known as the Essex County Superior Court Department of the Trial Court building, at Lawrence. Said division shall reconstruct, renovate, equip and maintain said land and building; provided, however, that said county commissioners pay over to the commonwealth, the sum of four hundred thousand dollars toward the cost of said reconstruction, renovation, equipment and maintenance.

SECTION 2. For the purposes authorized by section one, the treasurer of Essex County, with the approval of the county commissioners, may borrow upon the credit of the county such sums as may be necessary not exceeding, in the aggregate, four hundred thousand dollars, and may issue bonds and notes of the county therefor, which shall bear on their face the words, Essex County Superior Court Department, at Lawrence, Reconstruction, Renovation, Equipment and Maintenance and Loan, Act of 1982. Each authorized issue shall constitute a separate loan and such loans shall be payable in not more than ten years from their

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dates. The bonds or notes shall be signed by the county treasurer and countersigned by a majority of the county commissioners. The county may sell such securities at public or private sale, upon such terms and conditions as the county commissioners may deem proper, but not less than their par value. Indebtedness incurred hereunder shall, except as herein provided, be subject to Chapter thirty-five of the General Laws.

Approved July 9, 1982.

Chap. 301. AN ACT PROVIDING THE LOCATION OF CERTAIN ABSENT PARENTS AND THE ESTABLISHMENT AND ENFORCEMENT OF CERTAIN CHILD SUPPORT ORDERS.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. Clause (11) of subsection (b) of section 21 of chapter 62C of the General Laws, added by section 5 of chapter 403 of the acts of 1980, is hereby amended by inserting after the word "assessed", in line 7, the words: - , or the disclosure to the commissioner of public welfare or his designee of information as provided in section three A of chapter one hundred and eighteen.

SECTION 2. Chapter 118 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after section 3 the following section:-

Section 3A. For the purpose of locating, establishing and enforcing the liability of any person who is legally obligated by court order or otherwise to support his spouse or children and who is obligated to pay such support either to the department, pursuant to section twenty-one of chapter eighteen or to individuals on whose behalf the department is giving aid in the enforcement of support obligations pursuant to Title IV-D of the Social Security Act, the department shall have access to the following information in accordance with the following conditions and requirements:

(a) The department may request from any employer whom the department has reason to believe employs a person described above, information concerning the dates and amounts of compensation paid to such person and the persons' last known address, social security number, and available health or medical insurance benefits. The department shall not inquire of an employer concerning any such person more than once every four months. Employers shall respond to such requests fully and in writing,